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|   |   | Application No.                               | Applicant(s)                 |  |  |  |
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| Office Action Summary   |   | 10/663,350                                    | MAUNUKSELA, JAAKO            |  |  |  |
|   |   | Examiner                                      | Art Unit                     |  |  |  |
|   |   | Arnold M. Kinkead                             | 2817                         |  |  |  |
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| Status  |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 1)  | Responsive to communication(s) filed on   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 2a) <u></u> ☐   | This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b)⊠ This   | action is non-final.                          |                              |  |  |  |
| 3)□   | Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. |   |                              |  |  |  |
| Dispositi   | on of Claims  |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 4) Claim(s) <u>1-19</u> is/are pending in the application.  4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.  |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 5)[   | S) Claim(s) is/are allowed. S) Claim(s) <u>1,2,4 and 9-19</u> is/are rejected.  |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 6)⊠   |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| · —   | Claim(s) <u>3 and 5-8</u> is/are objected to.   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 8)□   | Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o   | r election requirement.                       |                              |  |  |  |
| Applicati   | on Papers   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.  |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 10)🖂  | 10)⊠ The drawing(s) filed on <u>09-03</u> is/are: a)⊠ accepted or b)□ objected to by the Examiner.  |   |                              |  |  |  |
|   | Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).   |   |                              |  |  |  |
|   | Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  |   |                              |  |  |  |
| 11)[  | 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.  |   |                              |  |  |  |
| Priority u  | ınder 35 U.S.C. § 119   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> </ul>  |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.  |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
| Attachment(s)   |   |   |                              |  |  |  |
|   | e of References Cited (PTO-892)<br>e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  | 4) ∐ Interview Summary<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Da |                              |  |  |  |
| 3) 🛛 Inform   | nation Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) r No(s)/Mail Date  |   | Patent Application (PTO-152) |  |  |  |

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

 The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

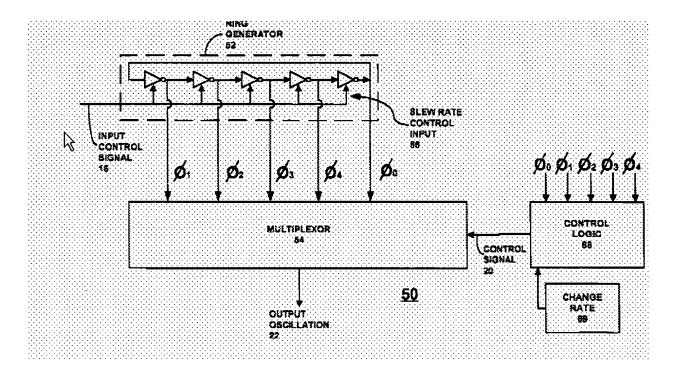
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- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 1,2,4,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Glen et al (US 6,194,971).

The reference by Glen et al. discloses a Phase shifting oscillator that allows for pulse position modulation, see figures 2 and 3, figure 2 shown below, has a ring oscillator(62) with delay arrangement that receives a regular sequence of pulses(feedback) and delay stages delaying each pulse accordingly. Each delay stage providing a corresponding pulse with a different phase. The selection component (MUX,54) receives the regular sequences of pulses with different phases (0o-05), modulating signal comp(20) is shown developed according to the (0o-05) input to control logic (68). As shown in figure 3, a corresponding Pposition is shown for each phase signal(0o and 02) for example; note in col. 5, lines 10-16 PWM is discussed. The synchronization input, see figure 5, shows a PLL implementation with synch input(116). The change rate(69) or control input(to vco, fig.5) allowing for the frequency "adaptation" for the modulated signal(PPM or PWM). The method steps being inherent.

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Allowable Subject Matter

 Claims 3,5-8 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The examiner could not find fair suggestion for the shift register arrangement or pulse generator in addition to all else claimed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arnold M. Kinkead whose telephone number is 571-272-1763. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri, 8:30 am -5 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Pascal can be reached on 571-272-1769. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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